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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 9, 2007, a reply to which is due January 9, 2008, with a three-month extension of time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.